

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY	DOCKET NO. RFU-00-2 (PGA-99-69) (WRU-99-52-150)
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**ORDER ACCEPTING REFUND REPORT SUBJECT TO COMPLAINT AND  
INVESTIGATION**

(Issued June 21, 2000)

On January 28, 2000, Interstate Power Company (Interstate) filed a refund plan which contained a proposal to refund an overcollection and to bill an undercollection for the year ending August 31, 1999, as shown by Interstate's reconciliation records in Docket No. PGA-99-69 for its Northern Natural Gas area. The refund plan was identified as Docket No. RFU-00-2. Interstate filed an amended refund plan on February 4, 2000. The plan provided for the return of an overcollection of a total of \$810,142, which consisted of \$782,313 in principal and \$27,829 in interest, and for the billing of an undercollection of \$40,898 from its rate 545 (firm contract) customers. On February 29, 2000, the Utilities Board (Board) issued an order approving the proposed refund as amended.

On April 19, 2000, Interstate filed a refund completion report, which showed that Interstate refunded the amounts overcollected plus interest to its customers by bill credit and checks during the March 2000 billing cycle. IPC stated in the report

that it would bill its two firm contract rate 545 customers for the undercollection in proportion to each customer's usage in the prior periods where the shortfall occurred. On May 30, 2000, Interstate filed supplemental information which shows that the two customers would be billed on June 1, 2000. Board staff reviewed the completion report and indicated to the Board that Interstate had complied with the February 29, 2000, order.

Based upon the completion report filed by Interstate and the review of that report by staff, the Board finds that Interstate has complied with the February 29, 2000, order and has refunded the amounts found to be overcollected and will be billing of undercollected amounts as found in Docket No. PGA-99-69.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

The refund completion report for the Northern Natural Gas area filed by Interstate Power Company on January 28, 2000, as amended on February 4, 2000, is approved, subject to complaint and investigation.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr.      /s/ Diane Munns  
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2000.